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# **CONTINUED PROSECUTION APPLICATION (CPA)** **REQUEST TRANSMITTAL**

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Attorney Docket No.  
of Prior Application

0336FV-044003

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Examiner Name

Kim M. Lee

Group Art Unit

3764

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09/819040

This is a request for a ☒ continuation or ☐ divisional application under 37 CFR 1.53(d),(continued prosecution application (CPA)) of prior application number 09/589,386filed on 06/07/2000, entitled Assembly for Dispensing Packaged Adhesive-Sided Articles.

## **NOTES**

**FILING QUALIFICATIONS:** The prior application identified above must be a nonprovisional application that is either: (1) complete as defined by 37 CFR 1.51(b), or (2) the national stage of an international application in compliance with 35 U.S.C. 371. Effective May 29, 2000, a CPA may only be filed in a utility or a plant application if the prior nonprovisional application was filed before May 29, 2000. A CPA may be filed in a design application regardless of the filing date of the prior application. See "Request for Continued Examination Practice changes to and Provisional Application Practice," Final Rule, 65 Fed. Reg. 50092 (Aug. 16, 2000); Interim Rule, 65 Fed. Reg. 14885 (Mar. 20, 2000), 1233 Off. Gaz. Pat. Office (Apr. 11, 2000).

**C-I-P NOT PERMITTED:** A continuation-in-part application cannot be filed as a CPA under 37 CFR 1.53(d), but must be filed under 37 CFR 1.53(b).

**EXPRESS ABANDONMENT OF PRIOR APPLICATION:** The filing of this CPA is a request to expressly abandon the prior application as of the filing date of the request for a CPA. 37 CFR 1.53(b) must be used to file a continuation, divisional, or continuation-in-part of an application that is not to be abandoned.

**ACCESS TO PRIOR APPLICATION:** The filing of this CPA will be construed to include a waiver of confidentiality by the applicant under 35 U.S.C. 122 to the extent that any member of the public who is entitled under the provisions of 37 CFR 1.14 to access to, copies of, or information concerning, the prior application may be given similar access to, copies of, or similar information concerning, the other application or applications in the file jacket.

**35 U.S.C. 120 STATEMENT:** In a CPA, no reference to the prior application is needed in the first sentence of the specification and none should be submitted. If a sentence referencing the prior application is submitted, it will not be entered. A request for a CPA is the specific reference required by 35 U.S.C. 120 and to every application assigned the application number identified in such request, 37 CFR 1.78(a).

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- ☐ Enter the unentered amendment previously filed on \_\_\_\_\_ under 37 CFR 1.116 in the prior nonprovisional application.
- ☒ A preliminary amendment is enclosed.
- This application is filed by fewer than all the inventors named in the prior application, 37 CFR 1.53(d)(4).
  - ☐ **DELETE** the following inventor(s) named in the prior nonprovisional application:  
 \_\_\_\_\_
  - ☐ The inventor(s) to be deleted are set forth on a separate sheet attached hereto.
- ☐ A new power of attorney or authorization of agent (PTO/SB/81) is enclosed.
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  - ☐ PTO-1449
  - ☐ Copies of IDS Citations

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CLAIMS	(1) FOR	(2) NUMBER FILED	(3) NUMBER EXTRA	(4) RATE	(5) CALCULATIONS
TOTAL CLAIMS (37 CFR 1.16(c) or (i))	20	-20* =	0	x \$ _____ =	\$
INDEPENDENT CLAIMS (37 CFR 1.16(b) or (ii))	2	-3** =	0	x \$ _____ =	
MULTIPLE DEPENDENT CLAIMS (if applicable) (37 CFR 1.16(d))				+ \$ _____ =	
				BASIC FEE (37 CFR 1.16)	710.00
				Total of above Calculations =	710.00
Reduction by 50% for filing by small entity (Note 37 CFR 1.27).					
* Reissue claims in excess of 20 and over original patent. ** Reissue independent claims over original patent.					TOTAL = \$710.00

6. ☐ Small entity status: Applicant claims small entity status. See 37 CFR 1.27.
7. The Commissioner is hereby authorized to credit overpayments or charge the following fees to Deposit Account No. 50 - 0259:
- a. ☒ Fees required under 37 CFR 1.16.
- b. ☒ Fees required under 37 CFR 1.17.
- c. ☒ Fees required under 37 CFR 1.18.
8. ☒ A check in the amount of \$ 710.00 is enclosed.
9. ☐ Payment by credit card. Form PTO-2038 is attached.
10. ☐ Applicant requests suspension of action under 37 CFR 1.103(b) for a period of \_\_\_\_\_ months (not to exceed 3 months) and the fee under 37 CFR 1.17(i) is enclosed.
11. ☒ New Attorney Docket Number, if desired 6336FY-044008  
(Prior application Attorney Docket Number will carryover to this CPA unless a new Attorney Docket Number has been provided herein.)
12. a. ☐ Receipt For Facsimile Transmitted CPA (PTO/SB/29A)
- b. ☒ Return Receipt Postcard (Should be specifically itemized, See MPEP 503)
13. ☐ Other: \_\_\_\_\_

**NOTE:** The prior application's correspondence address will carry over to this CPA UNLESS a new correspondence address is provided below.

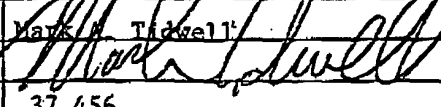
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	Bracewell & Patterson, L.L.P.				
Address	P. O. Box 61389				
City	Houston	State	Texas	Zip Code	77208-1389
Country	United States	Telephone	(713) 221-1529	Fax	(713) 221-2131

## 15. SIGNATURE OF APPLICANT, ATTORNEY, OR AGENT REQUIRED

Name (Print/Type)	Mark A. Tidwell
Signature	
Registration No. (Attorney/Agent)	37,456
Date	4/23/01

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DIVISIONAL PATENT APPLICATION  
TRANSMITTAL FORM

Atty. Docket No.: 0336FV-44007  
(QWIK,001DIV)

PRIOR APPLICATION:

Docket No.	Inventor	Examiner	Art Unit
0336FV-32972	Mark R. Schroeder	Kim M. Lee	3764
formerly (QWIK,001)			

To the Commissioner of Patents and Trademarks:

This is a request for filing a divisional application under 37 C.F.R. 1.53(b), of pending prior application serial no. 09/206,885 filed on 12/8/98, entitled **PACKAGING FOR ADHESIVE-SIDED ARTICLES TO ALLOW ONE-HANDED APPLICATION**.

1. Enclosed is a copy of the latest inventor signed prior application, including the oath or declaration as originally filed. I hereby verify that the attached papers are a true copy of the latest inventor signed prior application serial no. 09/206,885 as originally filed on 12/8/98, and further that all statements made herein of his own knowledge are true and that all statements made on information and belief are believed to be true; and further that these statements were made with the knowledge that willful false statements and the like so made are punishable by fine or imprisonment, or both, under section 1001 of Title 18 of the United States Code and that such willful false statements may jeopardize the validity of the application or any patent issuing thereon.

2. After cancellation of claims a fee is due of \$345.00.

3. ☒ A verified statement to establish small entity status under 37 C.F.R. §1.9 & 1.27: ☐ is enclosed.  
☒ was filed in prior application no. 09/206,885, and such status is still proper and desired (37 C.F.R. §1.28(a)).

4. The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any additional fees which may be required, or credit any overpayment to Felsman Bradley Vaden Gunter & Dillon, LLP Deposit No. 06-0580 (44007). A duplicate copy of this sheet is enclosed.

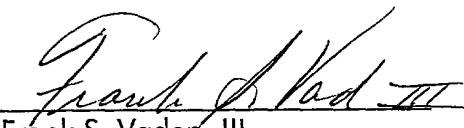
5.   X   A check is enclosed for \$345.00.
6. Cancel in this application original claims 1-34 of the prior application before calculating the filing fee.
7. Amend the specification by inseting before the first line the sentence: This application is a divisional of application serial no. 09/206,885 filed 12/8/98 , currently pending, which is a conversion of provisional application 60/109,701, filed 11/24/98, now abandoned.
8.        The prior application is assigned of record to:
9.   X   A preliminary amendment is enclosed.
10.   X   Also enclosed are:  
Formal Drawings
11. The power of attorney in the prior application is to:

Frank S. Vaden, III

Please send all communication to:

Frank S. Vaden III  
Felsman, Bradley, Vaden, Gunter & Dillon LLP  
One Riverway, Suite 1100  
Houston, Texas 77056

Date: June 7, 2000

  
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DIVISIONAL PATENT APPLICATION  
TRANSMITTAL FORM

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Attorney Docket No. 0336FV.044008



PRIOR APPLICATION:  
Docket No. 0336FV-04007

Inventor: Mark Schroeder  
Examiner: Kim M. Lee  
Art Unit: 3764

To the Commissioner of Patents and Trademarks:

This is a request for filing a divisional application under 37 C.F.R. 1.53(b), of prior application 09/589,386 filed 06/07/2000 and issued as USP 6,225,522 on 05/01/2001, entitled Assembly for Dispensing Packaged Adhesive-Sided Articles.

1. Enclosed is a true copy of the latest inventor signed prior application, including the declaration as originally filed. I hereby verify that the attached papers are a true copy of the latest inventor signed prior application serial no. 09/589,386 as originally filed on June 7, 2000, and further that all statements made herein of his knowledge are true and that all statements made on information and belief are believed to be true; and further that these statements were made with the knowledge that willful false statements and the like so made are punishable by fine or imprisonment, or both, under section 1001 of Title 18 of the United States Code and that such willful false statements may jeopardize the validity of the application or any patent issuing thereon.
2. After cancellation and addition of claims a fee is due of \$1,034.00.
3. The verified statement which was filed in prior application no. 09/206,885, and a copy filed in divisional application no. 09/589,386, has changed. Applicant is now a large entity.
4. The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any additional fees which may be required, or credit any overpayment to Bracewell & Patterson, L.L.P. deposit account no. 50-0259. A duplicate copy of this sheet is enclosed.
5. A check in the amount of \$710.00 was previously forwarded in a continuation application of 09/589,386 erroneously filed on April 23, 2001. Please credit this amount to our present application and charge the balance due of \$324.00 to deposit account no. 50-0259 (atty.docket no. 0336FV.044008).
6. Cancel in this application original claims 35-40 of the prior application and note additional claims 41-78 in the Preliminary Amendment.

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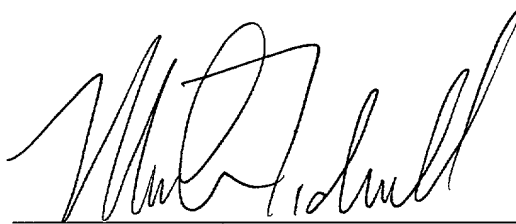
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6. Cancel in this application original claims 35-40 of the prior application and note additional claims 41-78 in the Preliminary Amendment.
7. Amend the specification by inserting before the first line the sentence. This application is a divisional of application serial no. 09/589,386, filed on June 7, 2000, now USP 6,225,522.
8.   X   The prior application is assigned of record to:  
GMP Surgical Solutions II, Inc.  
One East Broward Blvd., Suite 1701  
Ft. Lauderdale, FL 33301
9.   X   A preliminary amendment is enclosed adding 38 new claims.
10.   X   Also enclosed are 4 sheets of formal drawings
11. The Power of Attorney in the prior application is to: Frank S. Vaden, III, Kent A. Rowald
12. Enclosed is an associate power of attorney for Mark A. Tidwell.  
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Date:   5-03-01  



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